

RE: Tow Trucks

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To clarify -- just closing the loop on what I heard -- not endorsing the proposals and I have not shared with my MO as a result.

I wouldn't want the license suspension issue to take flight or become part of broader discussions without engagement with my MO.

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Hi Frank,

On this, I heard back from my counterpart in Transport Canada.

What he shared with me was that their discussions didn't boil down to taking a national approach, but was (interestingly) around their thoughts on how provincial or municipal authorities could change the incentives to try and resolve the issues.

Examples of their thinking are below and I'm not sure if they are helpful. I think RCMP already talked about the first one today, and the others seem to really fall along the same issue of how much the province wants to step in.

Police showing they have a plan to use tow truck drivers in a way that is safe for the drivers.

Create a stronger economic incentive for the drivers to provide service by offering them more \$\$ for service now and make it clear that for the next 1-2 years local governments and police will only use the services of those operators who show up now. (If the message is strong and clear enough this should change the perceived incentives by the operators)

Potential provincial regulation/ordering of the tow truck industry using Emergency powers.

Potential loss of licences or insurance for those involved.

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Good morning Rae-Ann.

Just a heads up that through our prosecutors information has come up that Transport Canada may be looking at the issue of the lack of tow trucks as a national issue. Do not have any other information other at this time -- seemed to be a passing comment during one of the updates with the RCMP that our prosecutors attend.

Frank

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